



**Peter Bulatao, PharmD, MS, MMAS, BCPS, BCACP**

Dr. Peter Bulatao is the Chief of Pharmacy at the Tuscaloosa VA Medical Center. Dr. Bulatao earned his BS in Pharmacy from Duquesne University, his MS in Pharmacy from University of Texas at Austin, his MMAS from Command & General Staff College, and his PharmD from the University of Minnesota in Minneapolis. He completed a PGY1 Pharmacy Residency at Fitzsimmons Army Medical Center in Denver, Colorado. Dr. Bulatao is also a former Army Veteran who has served in peacetime and during combat deployments as an infantry and pharmacy officer. Prior to joining the TVAMC team, Dr. Bulatao worked in a variety of positions of increasing responsibility including Inpatient and Outpatient Pharmacy Supervisor, Ambulatory and Acute Adult Medicine Clinical Pharmacist, Assistant

Director, Residency Program Director, Pharmacy Director, and Instructor and Associate Professor. In addition to serving as Chief of Pharmacy at TVAMC, Dr. Bulatao serves on a variety of committees throughout the facility including among others the Medical Staff Committee, Pharmacy & Therapeutics Committee, and the Strategic Planning Committee. He is a member of the American Society of Health System Pharmacists (ASHP), the American College of Clinical Pharmacy (ACCP), the American Pharmacists Association (APhA), and the Pennsylvania Pharmacists Association (PPA). Outside of work, Dr. Bulatao enjoys family, sports, reading, and hiking.

**Rotations Precepted: Pharmacy Operations (PGY1)**



**Garrett Aikens, PharmD, BCACP**

Dr. Garrett Aikens is the Associate Chief of Pharmacy, Clinical Services at the Tuscaloosa VA Medical Center. Dr. Aikens graduated from Auburn University's Harrison School of Pharmacy in 2011 and then completed a PGY1 Pharmacy Practice Residency at the University of Montana and Community Medical Center in Missoula, Montana. After completing his residency, Dr. Aikens joined the Central Alabama VA Health System as a Clinical Pharmacist Specialist in Primary Care from 2012-2016. He joined the VISN 7 Academic Detailing Program in 2016 while continuing to practicing ambulatory care. In 2017, Dr. Aikens started his position as the Associate Chief of Pharmacy, Clinical Services at the Tuscaloosa VA Medical Center. Dr. Aikens is a member of the Pharmacy & Therapeutics Committee

(Recorder), Medication Utilization P&T Subcommittee (Co-Chair), VISN 7 Clinical Pharmacy Practice Council (member), and the Tuscaloosa VA Clinical Pharmacy Practice Council (Chair). Outside of TVAMC, Dr. Aikens is a member of the Alabama Pharmacy Association (APA) (2011 Joseph O. Dean Jr. Student Professionalism Award, New Practitioners Leadership Class of 2013, 2014 Distinguished Young Pharmacist Award, Board of Trustees 2015-2017, 2019 Excellence in Innovations Award), the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists (ASHP), Auburn University's Harrison School of Pharmacy Dean's Advisory Council 2018 – Present, and Auburn University's Auburn Pharmacy Alumni Association Board of Trustees 2018 – Present. He also serves as a Peer Reviewer for Annals of Pharmacotherapy and the Journal of Pharmacy Technology. Outside of work, Dr. Aikens enjoys daddy/daughter dates, running, hiking, and softball.

**Rotations Precepted: Pharmacy Management (PGY1), Pharmacy Mgmt Intensive Elective (PGY1)**



**Yolanda Ellison, PharmD, BSN**

Dr. Yolanda Ellison is the Associate Chief of Pharmacy Operations at the Tuscaloosa VA Medical Center. After graduating from Auburn University's Harrison School of Pharmacy, Dr. Ellison worked in retail pharmacy as a Pharmacist-in-Charge, a VA Clinical Pharmacist, Director of Pharmacy at Liberty Regional Medical Center in Hinesville, GA and Pharmacy Manager at Prattville Baptist Hospital in Prattville, AL. She completed the SIDP Antimicrobial Stewardship Certificate Program in 2019. In addition to overseeing the daily operational activities of the pharmacy, Dr. Ellison is a member of the Medical Safety Committee and the Infection Control Committee. She is also a member of ASHP. Outside of work, Dr. Ellison enjoys spending time with her grandbabies and traveling.

**Rotation Precepted: Pharmacy Operations and Longitudinal Staffing (PGY1)**



**Shelley McIntire, PharmD, BCPS**

Dr. Shelley McIntire is a Clinical Pharmacist Specialist, the Anticoagulation Program Manager, and the PGY1 Residency Program Manager at the Tuscaloosa VA Medical Center. Dr. McIntire graduated from Auburn University's Harrison School of Pharmacy in 2011. She then completed her PGY1 Pharmacy Practice Residency at Aurora Health Care in Milwaukee, Wisconsin and her PGY2 in Ambulatory Care at the University of Georgia in Athens, Georgia. After residency, she worked for 6 years at DCH Health Systems in Tuscaloosa, Alabama where she gained experience in internal medicine, critical care, pediatrics, women's health, operations, and oncology. In 2019, she joined the team at TVAMC as the Anticoagulation Program Manager and the PGY1 RPD. In addition to her RPD duties, Dr.

McIntire manages warfarin and DOAC patients within Anticoagulation Clinic. Dr. McIntire is the chair of the Educational Affairs Committee, a member of the Medication Utilization Subcommittee for P&T and a member of the Pharmacy Wellness Committee. She is also a member of the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists (ASHP). Outside of work, Dr. McIntire enjoys spending time with her family, traveling, baking, arts and crafts with her sons, and reading.

**Rotations Precepted: Orientation (PGY1) and Anticoagulation Clinic (PGY1)**



### **June Griffith PharmD, BCGP, BCPP**

Dr. June Griffith is a Clinical Pharmacist Specialist in Psychiatry and Geriatrics and the Residency Program Director for the PGY2 Psychiatric Pharmacy Residency at the Tuscaloosa VA Medical Center. Dr. Griffith graduated from St. John's University with a BS in Pharmacy in 1991 and then Nova Southeastern University with a PharmD in 2001. She served as the Clinical Coordinator at Barbados Community College for Pharmacy Training in 2002, then was a facilitator for the University of Florida College of Pharmacy from 2002-2009 while working as a Transitional Care Pharmacist at Shands Hospital in Jacksonville, Florida. Dr. Griffith became a part of the TVAMC team in 2009 when she joined the staff as a CPS and the PGY2 RPD. In her daily job, Dr. Griffith monitors Clozapine dosing, titration, and monitoring parameters. She also performs medication reviews for inappropriate adverse drug reactions and to simplify drug regimens. She precepts P4 students, PGY1 residents and PGY2 residents in psychiatric and geriatric pharmacy. Dr. Griffith is also responsible for revising drug administration policy, Clozapine Medication Monitoring Policy, reviewing/updating the PGY2 Residency Manual and Preceptor Manual, and is on the Clozapine Monitoring Treatment Team. Dr. Griffith is a member of the College of Psychiatric and Neurologic Pharmacists (CPNP) and the American Society of Consultant Pharmacists (ASCP). She also completes Peer Reviews for the Mental Health Clinician up to four times per year. Outside of work, Dr. Griffith enjoys walking, cooking, traveling, swimming, and planting herbs and vegetables.

**Rotations Precepted: Outpatient Mental Health (PGY1 and PGY2), Clozapine Monitoring Longitudinal Rotation (PGY2), Orientation (PGY2)**



### **Lyndsay Albert, PharmD, BCGP**

Dr. Lyndsay Albert is a Clinical Pharmacist Specialist in the Community Living Center (CLC) at the Tuscaloosa VA Medical Center. She graduated from Ohio Northern University's Raabe College of Pharmacy in 2017, then completed a PGY1 Pharmacy Residency at the VA Sierra Nevada Health Care System in Reno, Nevada. Dr. Albert stayed at the VA Sierra Nevada Health Care System to complete her PGY2 in Geriatrics. After completing her PGY2, she started her CPS position at TVAMC. In her daily job, Dr. Albert provides discharge counseling and schedules appropriate follow-up into pharmacy clinics if indicated, changes/orders medications and labs under a scope of practice, attends all team care rounds and bedside rounds as able, and processes all non-formulary, drug information, and fall consults for the CLC. She also performs comprehensive medication/disease state reviews on admission and monthly for all CLC patients under her care and precepts pharmacy students as well as PGY1 and PGY2 pharmacy residents. Dr. Albert is the Geriatric Subcommittee Chair and a member of the Pressure Injury Committee and Pharmacy Wellness Committee. In addition to her clinical responsibilities, Dr. Albert has been named the Residency Program Director of our PGY2 Geriatrics Pharmacy Program that is currently under development. Outside of work, Dr. Albert enjoys in hiking, kayaking, traveling, and crafting.

**Rotations Precepted: Geriatrics and Geri 2 Elective (PGY1)**



**Joni Baker, PharmD, BCPP**

Dr. Joni Baker is a Clinical Pharmacy Specialist in Mental Health at the Tuscaloosa VA Medical Center. Dr. Baker graduated from Samford University's McWhorter School of Pharmacy in 2015. After graduation, Dr. Baker completed a PGY1 Pharmacy Residency at Oregon State Hospital in Salem, OR. She then completed a PGY2 Psychiatric Pharmacy Residency at Tuscaloosa VA Medical Center in Tuscaloosa, AL. Dr. Baker is interested in mental health / severe mental illness, and currently serves as our Clinical Pharmacy Specialist for our Residential Rehabilitation Treatment Program (RRTP). In her daily job, she completes clinical pharmacy chart reviews for RRTP patients, provides medication management per consult for her patients, and leads patient education groups in RRTP. In addition to her daily responsibilities, Dr. Baker serves as an alternate member for IRB and the Research & Development Committee and is a member of the Pharmacy Poster Committee. Dr. Baker is also an active member of CPNP. Outside of work, Dr. Baker enjoys spending time with her dogs (Ollie, Evee, and Mac), hiking, biking, and cooking.

**Rotations Precepted: Research (PGY1 and PGY2), RRTP (PGY1 and PGY2), Geropsych (PGY2)**



**Pamela Burrus, PharmD, BCPS**

Dr. Pamela Burrus is a Clinical Pharmacist Specialist in Home-Based Primary Care (HBPC) at the Tuscaloosa VA Medical Center. Dr. Burrus graduated from Auburn University's Harrison School of Pharmacy in 2006. She then completed a Specialty Residency in Primary Care at the University of Mississippi Medical Center in Jackson, Mississippi. After completing her residency, she joined the team at the Tuscaloosa VA Medical Center as a Clinical Pharmacist Specialist in Primary Care, before helping to start the Home-Based Primary Care program. In her daily job, Dr. Burrus completes medication reviews and provides disease state management for patients in the Home-Based Primary Care program. Outside of work, Dr. Burrus enjoys spending time with family and being outside.

**Rotations Precepted: HBPC Elective (PGY1)**





### **Ellery Curtis, PharmD**

Dr. Ellery Curtis is a Clinical Pharmacist Specialist in Primary Care at the Tuscaloosa VA Medical Center. He graduated from the University of the Sciences in Philadelphia in 2007 and then completed a PGY1 Pharmacy Practice Residency at the Birmingham VA Medical Center. After completing his residency, he started his position as a Clinical Pharmacy Specialist in Primary Care at TVAMC. In his daily job, Dr. Curtis uses his scope of practice to assist several primary care teams by managing diabetes, hypertension, hypercholesterolemia, COPD, and others chronic disease states, as well as weight management medications. This involves daily face to face, phone, and video visits with patients to address those healthcare needs. Outside of work, Dr. Curtis enjoys rock climbing, backpacking, and kayaking.

**Rotations Precepted: Primary Care (PGY1)**



### **Laura Rebekah Findley, PharmD**

Dr. Laura Rebekah Findley is a Clinical Pharmacist Specialist in the Home-Based Primary Care (HBPC) Program at the Tuscaloosa VA Medical Center. She graduated from Auburn University's Harrison School of Pharmacy in 2015, then completed her PGY1 Pharmacy Practice Residency at the Tuscaloosa VA Medical Center. After completing her residency, she started her Clinical Pharmacist Specialist position in Home-Based Primary Care at TVAMC. In her daily job, Dr. Findley provides medication reconciliation and disease state management, writes medication review notes, and works with an interdisciplinary team. Outside of work, Dr. Findley enjoys spending time with her love and raising two little girls. She also enjoys baking and decorating cookies.

**Rotations Precepted: HBPC Elective (PGY1)**



### **Emily Gicewicz, PharmD**

Dr. Emily Gicewicz is a Clinical Pharmacist Specialist in Home-Based Primary Care (HBPC) and the Community Living Center (CLC) at the Tuscaloosa VA Medical Center. She is also the Student Coordinator for Samford University McWhorter School of Pharmacy's APPE and IPPE students that rotate at TVAMC. Dr. Gicewicz graduated from Albany College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences in 2019. She completed her PGY1 Community-Based Pharmacy Residency at Virginia Commonwealth University School of Pharmacy in Richmond, VA. She then completed her PGY2 in Geriatrics at the Cleveland VA Medical Center. After residency, she started her position as a Clinical Pharmacist Specialist at the Tuscaloosa VA Medical Center. In her daily job, Dr. Gicewicz provides clinical pharmacy services for the Selma HBPC Team and two CLC units (medication reviews, attending treatment teams, and chronic disease management), as well as facilitating APPE and IPPE rotations. She is also a Resident Mentor and member of the Pharmacy Wellness Committee. Dr. Gicewicz is a member of the American Society of Consultant Pharmacists (ASCP) and the American Pharmacists Association (APhA). Outside of work, Dr. Gicewicz enjoys trying new coffee shops, hiking, and going to Target.

**Rotations Precepted: HBPC Elective (PGY1), Teaching Certificate through Samford University's McWhorter School of Pharmacy, Presentation Rotation (PGY1), Academia (PGY2)**



### **Lauren Gronau, PharmD**

Dr. Lauren Gronau is a Clinical Pharmacy Specialist in Outpatient Mental Health at the Tuscaloosa VA Medical Center. Dr. Gronau graduated from Midwestern University College of Pharmacy – Glendale in 2020. After graduation, she completed a PGY1 Pharmacy Residency at Providence VA Medical Center in Providence, RI. She then stayed on to complete a PGY2 in Psychiatry at Providence VA Medical Center in Providence, RI. Dr. Gronau is interested in mental health and substance use disorders (SUD) and serves as our SUD Clinical Pharmacy Specialist. In her daily job, she coordinates long-acting injectable naltrexone and buprenorphine and provides outpatient medication management. Dr. Gronau is an active member of CPNP. Outside of work, Dr. Gronau enjoys baking, hiking, and hanging out with her cats.

**Rotations Precepted: Outpatient Mental Health (PGY1 and PGY2), Substance Use Disorder Elective (PGY1)**



**Debora Hamilton, BS, BA, PharmD**

Dr. Debora Hamilton is a Clinical Pharmacist Specialist at the Tuscaloosa VA Medical Center in Drug Information and Pain Management. She received her Bachelors of Arts degree in Biology from Miles College in Fairfield, Alabama in 1978, and continued her studies at Samford University's McWhorter School of Pharmacy (MSOP) where she received her Bachelors of Science degree in 1983 and her Doctorate of Pharmacy degree in 1999. Dr. Hamilton received a certificate in Pain Management from the University of Southern Indiana and a certificate in Diabetes Management from MSOP. She has served as a clinical pharmacist for greater than 38 years in areas such as inpatient and outpatient drug distribution, hypertension and HIV management, as well as supervising clinical pharmacists for Cooper Green

Hospital at their Bessemer Clinic. She has served as a preceptor for pharmacy students for greater than 30 years in the areas of hospital and community pharmacy. Dr. Hamilton joined TVAMC 9 years ago, where she has worked in areas of distribution within the main pharmacy as well as in Drug Information and Pain Management. In her daily job, Dr. Hamilton provides pain management services to our Veterans through medication management with pharmacological modalities (opioid and non-opioid). She teaches tai chi classes and performs alpha stim therapies to our veterans to assist with pain management. She is also certified in battlefield acupuncture therapy, which is an additional modality utilized to assist with pain management. Additionally, she provides other non-pharmacological recommendations to promote opioid safety to our veteran population. Dr. Hamilton is a member of the OSI Committee, Storm IDT Committee (chair), Whole Health Committee, Pain Committee, and the Medication Utilization Subcommittee for P&T. Dr. Hamilton is also a member of the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists (ASHP), American Association of Diabetes Care and Education (ADCES), and the American Society of Pain Educators. Outside of work, Dr. Hamilton enjoys playing the piano and spending time with family.

**Rotations Precepted: Pain Management (PGY1 Elective, PGY2 Required)**



**Joni Morgan, PharmD**

Dr. Joni Morgan is a Clinical Pharmacist Specialist in Psychiatry at the Tuscaloosa VA Medical Center (TVAMC). After graduating Samford University's McWhorter School of Pharmacy in 2014, Dr. Morgan completed a PGY1 Residency with a focus in Mental Health and an Interprofessional Postgraduate Fellowship with an emphasis in underserved populations at the Gulf Coast Veterans Health Care System in Biloxi, MS. She then came to TVAMC to complete her PGY2 in Psychiatric Pharmacy. After her PGY2, she continued on with the TVAMC as a Clinical Pharmacist Specialist for our Acute Psychiatric Units. In her daily job, Dr. Morgan collaborates with the psychiatrists and mental health nurse practitioners to identify and implement the most effective psychopharmacologic treatment

plans for each patient and assists in monitoring outcomes. She also serves as the chair of TVAMC's IRB and as the PGY2 Psychiatric Residency Program Coordinator. Outside of work, Dr. Morgan enjoys glamping and spending time with her children, dogs, and mini-pig.

**Rotations Precepted: Acute Psychiatry (PGY1 and PGY2)**



**Dayna Strickland, PharmD**

Dr. Dayna Strickland is a Clinical Pharmacist Specialist in Primary Care at the Tuscaloosa VA Medical Center. After graduating from Auburn University's Harrison School of Pharmacy (HSOP), Dr. Strickland completed a Specialty Residency in Ambulatory Care at the University of Mississippi Medical Center in Jackson, Mississippi. She then started her job as a CPS in Primary Care at TVAMC. Dr. Strickland recently accepted a new Home Based Primary Care position and will be transitioning to that position throughout the 2022-2023 year. She is also an Affiliate Assistant Clinical Professor of Pharmacy Practice at both Samford University's McWhorter School of Pharmacy and Auburn's HSOP. In her daily job, she provides chronic disease state management via direct patient care in clinic and population

management and precepts residents and students on their Primary Care rotation. She is a member of the Women Veteran's Health Committee and the Residency Advisory Board. She is also a member of the American Heart Association (AHA). Outside of work, Dr. Strickland is a mother of 3 and enjoys cooking and being outside.

**Rotation Precepted: Primary Care (PGY1), Home Based Primary Care Elective (PGY1)**



**Jennifer Voyles, PharmD, BCPS**

Dr. Jennifer Voyles is a Clinical Pharmacy Specialist in Geriatrics working in the Community Living Center (CLC) at the Tuscaloosa VA Medical Center. Dr. Voyles graduated from Samford University's McWhorter School of Pharmacy in 2015. She then completed a PGY1 Pharmacy Residency at Tuscaloosa VA Medical Center. After completing her residency, she started her position as a Clinical Pharmacist Specialist at TVAMC. In her daily job, Dr. Voyles completes monthly comprehensive review notes, provides disease state management and antimicrobial reviews, attends psych rounds and treatment team, completes consults, and precepts students and residents. Outside of work, Dr. Voyles enjoys traveling and spending time with family and friends.

**Rotations Precepted: Geriatrics (PGY1), Geri 2 Elective (PGY1), Geriatric Psychiatry (PGY2)**





**Raela Williford, PharmD**

Dr. Raela Williford is a Clinical Pharmacist Specialist in Primary Care at Tuscaloosa VA Medical Center. After graduating from Auburn University's Harrison School of Pharmacy in 2002, she completed a Primary Care Pharmacy Practice Residency at TVAMC from 2002-2003. After completing her residency, she stayed on at TVAMC as the Research CPS, followed by CPS for the Residential Rehab Treatment Program, finally transitioning to CPS in Primary Care. She also served as the PGY1 Residency Program Director at TVAMC from 2008-2016. In her daily job, Dr. Williford manages patients with diabetes, hypertension, hyperlipidemia, hepatitis C, hypothyroidism, and other primary care disease states. She serves as TVAMC's Advanced Liver Disease Champion. She is a member of the

American Society of Health-System Pharmacists (ASHP). Outside of work, Dr. Williford enjoys traveling and spending time with family and friends.

**Rotation Precepted: Primary Care (PGY1)**